



House of Representatives

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House Bill No. 5452

House of Representatives, March 22, 2017

The Committee on Public Health reported through REP. STEINBERG of the 136th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE PRACTICAL TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE OF STUDENT EMBALMERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 20-213 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
3 *October 1, 2017*):

4 (a) (1) After a student embalmer has (A) completed a program of
5 education in mortuary science approved by the board with the consent
6 of the Commissioner of Public Health, [has] (B) successfully completed
7 an examination prescribed by the [department] Department of Public
8 Health with the consent of the board, [and has] (C) completed one year
9 of practical training and experience of a grade and character
10 satisfactory to the commissioner in the state in full-time employment
11 under the personal supervision and instruction of an embalmer
12 licensed under the provisions of this chapter, [such training and
13 experience to be in the state of Connecticut and of a grade and
14 character satisfactory to the commissioner, and has] and (D) embalmed

15 fifty human bodies in not more than two years under the supervision
 16 of a licensed embalmer or embalmers, [he] (2) the student embalmer
 17 shall (A) submit to the department an application and fee of two
 18 hundred ten dollars, [and then be examined in writing] (B) take a
 19 written examination on the Connecticut public health laws and the
 20 regulations of [the Department of Public Health] Connecticut state
 21 agencies pertaining to the activities of an embalmer, and [shall] (C)
 22 take an examination in practical embalming [which] that shall include
 23 an actual demonstration upon a cadaver. When [such registered] the
 24 student embalmer has satisfactorily passed [said] such examinations,
 25 said department shall issue to him or her a license to practice
 26 embalming. At the expiration of such license, if the holder thereof
 27 desires a renewal, [the] said department shall grant it pursuant to
 28 section 20-222a, except for cause.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>October 1, 2017</i>	20-213(a)
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PH *Joint Favorable*

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OFA Fiscal Note***State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None***Explanation***

This bill, which gives applicants for an embalmer's license up to two years to meet the existing requirement to have embalmed at least 50 human bodies under the supervision of a licensed embalmer, does not result in a fiscal impact to the state or municipalities.

The Out Years***State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None

OLR Bill Analysis**HB 5452*****AN ACT CONCERNING THE PRACTICAL TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE OF STUDENT EMBALMERS.*****SUMMARY**

This bill gives applicants for an embalmer's license up to two years to meet the existing requirement to have embalmed at least 50 human bodies under the supervision of a licensed embalmer. Currently, applicants must complete this requirement in one year.

The bill also makes technical changes.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2017

COMMITTEE ACTION

Public Health Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 26 Nay 0 (03/06/2017)